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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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- This application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). Applicant must provide such statement. If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000).
- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

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- 1. Fee Transmittal Sheet (1 page, in duplicate);
- 2. Petition for 2 Month Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate);
- 3. Response to NTFMP (2 pages, in duplicate);
- 4. Copy of Notice to File Missing Part of Nonprovisional Application;
- 5. Executed Declaration/Power of Attorney document (9 pages);
- 6. Submission of Paper Copy and CR Copy of Sequence Listing (2 pages, in duplicate);
- 7. Statement Accompanying Sequence Listing (1 page);
- 8. Sequence Listing (102 pages);
- 9. Certificate of Express Mail page; and
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

Transmitted herewith in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application – Filing Date Granted, mailed April 15, 2004 in the above-identified application, are the following:

- 1. Faxcover Sheet to the Patent Office (1 page)
- 2. Fee Transmittal for FY 2004 (1 page, in duplicate);
- 3. Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (2 pages); and
- 4. Executed Declaration document (9 pages).

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Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0725 in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the filing fee and the surcharge (see 37 C.F.R. §1.27 and 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e)).

Applicants believe that no additional fees are due at this time. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of the same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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		A copy of the Patent Office letter is enclosed.						
		Note: If these papers are filed before the Patent Office letter is mailed, the adequate identification of the original papers should be made, e.g., in addition to the name of the inventor and title of the invention, the filing date on the Express Mail Label, the USSN from the return postcard or the attorney's docket number must be added.						
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I hereby state that: (complete applicable items – A, B and/or C)

- A. The content of the paper and computer-readable copies of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith are the same.
- B. The content of the computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith is the same as the Sequence Listing appearing at the end of the originally-filed specification.
- C. \(\submission includes no new matter. \)

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Respectfully submitted,

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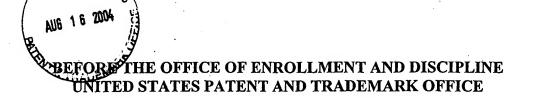
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